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December 5, 1902

Total number of reported cases in all Egypt since date of outbreak (July 15, 1902) is 39,421; deaths, 33,583; cases cured, 5,780.

I hope to be able to advise the Department within a fortnight that the epidemic has been officially declared ended.

Respectfully,

H. T. SMITH,

*United States Vice Consul-General, In Charge.*

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

#### GERMANY.

##### *Plague and cholera in various countries.*

BERLIN, GERMANY, November 14, 1902.

Information regarding plague obtained from the imperial health office (Kaiserliches-Gesundheitsamt), Berlin:

RUSSIA.—According to official communications in the Government gazette (Regierungs-Anzeiger) of October 30, 48 cases of plague, with 16 deaths, were registered in Odessa between June 10 and October 28. On the latter date 14 plague patients were still undergoing medical treatment.

BRITISH INDIA.—In Rangoon, on October 3, a case of plague occurred on board the steamship *Purulin*, arrived from Calcutta on that date.

In the Bombay Presidency, according to a supplemental report, there were registered during the week ended October 11, 250 further plague cases and 196 deaths, and during the week ended October 18 there occurred 10,423 plague cases, with 7,771 deaths.

In the Madras Presidency, according to a recent official publication, there were recorded in the month of February of the current year 1,711 deaths from plague among a population of about 38,000,000. The total number of deaths registered in the month of February amounted to 61,406, being a larger number by 2,346 than the total number of children born in that month.

CAPE COLONY.—The plague patient (European) taken sick on September 23 in Port Elizabeth died on the 25th of that month. Between September 13 and September 27 no additional plague cases were recorded. Up to September 26, however, plague bacilli continued to be found in rats.

FRANK H. MASON,  
*United States Consul-General.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

#### HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

##### *Plague in Honolulu.*

HONOLULU, H. I., November 18, 1902.

The following deaths from plague have occurred at this port on the dates given: November 8, 1 case, Japanese; November 12, 2 cases, both Chinese; November 13, 1 case, Portuguese.

In this connection, I would respectfully state that the case which died on November 8, 1902, was brought from Aiea, a plantation about 8 miles out of the city, and is the first case that has occurred on this island outside the city limits. No history of exposure could be obtained. The patient had not been to Honolulu. One of the 2 cases that occurred on the 12th instant was brought from Waialua, another plantation, about 29 miles from the city, and was the second case to occur on this

island outside of Honolulu. No history could be obtained of any exposure, and in this case I do not think it is satisfactorily established that the patient came from out of town.

Since beginning this letter, I have been informed that a second fatal case occurred yesterday at Aiea, so that we have had 5 cases within the last ten days, 2 of which certainly occurred within the city limits.

If cases continue to occur, the outgoing quarantine will be again put in force.

W. C. HOBDY,

*Assistant Surgeon, In Temporary Charge.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

#### ITALY.

##### *Inspection service at Naples—Cholera in Palestine and Egypt.*

NAPLES, ITALY, November 10, 1902.

For the week ended November 8, 1902, the following steamships were inspected at Naples: November 3, the steamship *Palatia*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 924 steerage passengers and 220 pieces of large baggage; 950 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 60 steerage passengers was advised. November 5, the steamship *Sicilia*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 619 steerage passengers and 80 pieces of large baggage; 800 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 90 steerage passengers was advised. November 6, the steamship *Aller*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 795 steerage passengers and 200 pieces of large baggage; 950 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 49 steerage passengers was advised. November 8, the steamship *Gallia*, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 858 steerage passengers and 250 pieces of large baggage; 1,000 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 44 steerage passengers was advised.

##### *Smallpox at Naples.*

During the week ended November 8, 1902, there were officially reported at Naples 4 cases of smallpox, with no deaths.

##### *Asiatic cholera in Palestine and Egypt.*

A report from Jerusalem states that during the week ended November 1, 1902, there were 494 deaths from Asiatic cholera at Gaza and in the immediate neighborhood, 78 deaths at Lydda, and 5 at Jaffa.

A report, dated November 3, stated that there were 28 new cases of cholera in Egypt, with 19 deaths, and 44 cases remaining under treatment. At Alexandria there 2 new cases, 8 cases remaining under treatment. At Wady Halfa 1 new case, and at Cairo there were no new cases, but there still remained under treatment 1 case previously reported. Assuan and Luxor, at the time of the report, were free from the disease. November 7 19 new cases were reported from all Egypt, with 14 deaths and 38 patients remaining under observation. Of the new cases, 8 were at Alexandria and 1 at Wady Halsa. Cairo was reported free from cholera.